H. RES. 213

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Green of Wisconsin submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas American farming women have for centuries been critical to the survival of the family farm;
- Whereas, in 1862, the newly formed Department of Agriculture released a study showing that, on 3 out of 4 farms, the wife "works harder" and "endures more, than any other on the place";
- Whereas American farming women played an important role in United States victories during the World Wars, when they and their families took to the farms, maintaining the food and fiber needs of our country, as millions of men left their farms to participate in the war effort;

Whereas women have been actively involved in critical farm decisions, such as buying and selling land, farm equipment purchases, estate planning, and new production practices; and

Whereas studies indicate the American farm woman plays an integral role in farm tasks, tending to animals, field work, bookkeeping, and supervising the children: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-

2 resentatives that—

(1) the United States Postal Service should
issue a postage stamp honoring the American farm

5 woman; and

6 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee 7 should recommend to the Postmaster General that

8 such a stamp be issued.

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